# **Project Approval**

# Section 75J of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

I, the Minister for Planning, approve the project referred to in schedule 1, subject to the conditions in schedules 2 to 5.

These conditions are required to:

- prevent, minimise, and/or offset adverse environmental impacts;
- set standards and performance measures for acceptable environmental performance;
- require regular monitoring and reporting; and
- provide for the ongoing environmental management of the project.

#### Frank Sartor MP Minister for Planning

Sydney	2007	File No: S03/00047
	SCHEDULE 1	
Application No:	06-0057.	
Proponent:	Glennies Creek Coal Management Pty Limited.	
Approval Authority:	Minister for Planning.	
Land:	See Appendix 1.	
Project:	Glennies Creek Coal Mine – Surface	e Facilities Project.

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# DEFINITIONS

AEMR	Annual Environmental Management Report
BCA	Building Code of Australia
CCC	Community Consultative Committee
CHPP	Coal Handling and Preparation Plant
Council	Singleton Shire Council
Day	Day is defined as the period from 7am to 6pm on Monday to Saturday,
-	and 8am to 6pm on Sundays and Public Holidays
DEC	Department of Environment and Conservation
DNR	Department of Natural Resources
Department	Department of Planning
Director-General	Director-General of Department of Planning, or delegate
DPI	Department of Primary Industries
EA	Environmental Assessment
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
EP&A Regulation	Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000
Evening	Evening is defined as the period from 6pm to 10pm
Land	Land means the whole of a lot, or contiguous lots owned by the same
	landowner, in a current plan registered at the Land Titles Office at the
	date of this approval
Mine water	Water that accumulates or originates within active mining areas, coal
	rejects emplacement areas, coal stockpile areas, tailings dams and other
	infrastructure areas
Minister	Minister for Planning, or delegate
Night	Night is defined as the period from 10pm to 7am on Monday to Saturday,
light	and 10pm to 8am on Sundays and Public Holidays
Privately owned land	Land that is not owned by a public agency, or a mining company or its
	subsidiary
Proponent	Glennies Creek Coal Management Pty Limited, or its successors
ROM	Run of Mine
Site	Land to which the Project Application applies

## SCHEDULE 2 ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS

#### Obligation to Minimise Harm to the Environment

1. The Proponent shall implement all practicable measures to prevent and/or minimise any harm to the environment that may result from the construction, operation, or rehabilitation of the project.

#### **Terms of Approval**

- 2. The Proponent shall carry out the project generally in accordance with the:
  - (a) Project Application 06\_0057;
    - (b) EA titled Glennies Creek Colliery: Environmental Assessment of Surface Facilities and Activities, dated August 2006;
    - (c) letter from the Proponent to the Department amending the project application, dated 3 October 2006;
    - (d) modification application and supporting information titled *Proposed Modifications to Forest Road Ventilation Shaft Area*, dated October 2008; and
    - (e) modification application and supporting information titled *Supporting Information for a s75W Application to Modify Condition 16 of Schedule 3, Project Approval (PA) 06\_0057 – Integra Coal Operations Pty Ltd*, dated June 2009; and
    - (f) conditions of this approval.

Notes:

- 1. This approval relates to construction and use of surface facilities associated with the Glennies Creek coal mine only. Underground coal mining, coal haulage beyond the site boundary, and coal processing are regulated under separate approvals.
- 2. The general layout of the project is shown on the plans in Appendix 2.
- 3. If there is any inconsistency between the above documents, the most recent document shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency. However, the conditions of this approval shall prevail to the extent of any inconsistency.
- 4. If there is any inconsistency between the conditions of this approval and the conditions of any other development approval for the Glennies Creek colliery, the conditions of this approval shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.
- 5. The Proponent shall comply with any reasonable requirement/s of the Director-General arising from the Department's assessment of:
  - (a) any reports, plans, programs or correspondence that are submitted in accordance with this approval; and
  - (b) the implementation of any actions or measures contained in these reports, plans, programs or correspondence.
- 5A. The Proponent shall prepare revisions of any strategies, plans or programs required under this approval if directed to do so by the Director-General. Such revisions shall be prepared to the satisfaction of, and within a timeframe approved by, the Director-General.

#### Limits on Approval

- 6. This approval lapses on 1 January 2027.
- 7. The Proponent shall not process more than 4.5 million tonnes of ROM coal a year at the site.

#### Structural Adequacy

8. The Proponent shall ensure that all new buildings and structures, and any alterations or additions to existing buildings and structures, are constructed in accordance with the relevant requirements of the BCA.

Notes:

- Under Part 4A of the EP&A Act, the Proponent is required to obtain construction and occupation certificates for the proposed building works.
- Part 8 of the EP&A Regulation sets out the requirements for the certification of the project.

## Demolition

9. The Proponent shall ensure that all demolition work is carried out in accordance with *Australian Standard AS 2601-2001: The Demolition of Structures*, or its latest version.

# **Operation of Plant and Equipment**

- The Proponent shall ensure that all plant and equipment used at the site is:
  (a) maintained in a proper and efficient condition; and
  (b) operated in a proper and efficient manner. 10.

## SCHEDULE 3 SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

#### SURFACE AND GROUND WATER

#### **Discharge Limits**

1. Except as may be expressly provided by a DEC Environment Protection Licence or DNR water licence, the Proponent shall not discharge any mine water from the site.

#### Site Water Management Plan

- 2. The Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) a Site Water Management Plan for the project, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The Plan shall be prepared in consultation with the DNR, and be submitted to the Director-General by the end of March 2007. The Plan must be prepared by a suitably qualified hydrogeologist/hydrologist whose appointment/s have been approved by the Director-General, and shall include:
  - (a) a Site Water Balance;
  - (b) an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan;
  - (c) a Surface Water Monitoring Program;
  - (d) a Groundwater Monitoring Program; and
  - (e) a Surface and Groundwater Response Plan.

Note: The Surface and Groundwater Response Plan is to be submitted by the end of March 2009.

- 3. The Water Balance shall:
  - (a) include details of:
    - sources of water (including groundwater make from underground workings and from Camberwell overburden emplacement areas);
    - reliability of water supply;
    - water use on site;
    - volume of water storages on site;
    - water management on site;
    - on-site and off-site water transfers;
    - reporting procedures; and
  - (b) describe measures to minimise water use by the project.
- 4. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan shall:
  - (a) be consistent with the requirements of the Department of Housing's *Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction* manual;
  - (b) identify activities that could cause soil erosion and generate sediment;
  - (c) describe measures to minimise soil erosion and the potential for the transport of sediment to downstream waters;
  - (d) describe the location, function, and capacity of erosion and sediment control structures; and
  - (e) describe what measures would be implemented to maintain the structures over time.
- 5. The Surface Water Monitoring Program shall include:
  - (a) baseline data on surface water flows and quality in waterbodies that could potentially be impacted by the mine;
  - (b) surface water impact assessment criteria;
  - (c) a program to monitor surface water flows and quality;
  - (d) a program to monitor water volume and levels in water storages across the site;
  - (e) a protocol for the investigation, notification and mitigation of identified exceedances of the surface water impact assessment criteria; and
  - (f) a program to monitor the effectiveness of the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan.
- 6. The Groundwater Monitoring Program shall include:
  - (a) a program to monitor the volume and quality of groundwater make within the Camberwell North Pit and underground mine workings;
  - (b) regional groundwater levels and quality in the surrounding aquifers; and
  - (c) the groundwater pressure response in the surrounding coal measures.
- 6A. The Surface and Groundwater Response Plan must describe the measures and/or procedures that would be implemented to:
  - (a) respond to any exceedances of the surface water and groundwater assessment criteria;
  - (b) offset the loss of any base flow to connected alluvium caused by the project;

- (c) compensate landowners of privately-owned land whose water supply is adversely affected by the project; and
- (d) mitigate and/or offset any adverse impacts on groundwater dependent ecosystems or riparian vegetation.

## NOISE

#### Noise Impact Assessment Criteria

7. The Proponent shall ensure that the noise generated by the project does not exceed the noise impact assessment criteria presented in Table 1 at any residence on privately owned land.

Table 1: Noise impact assessment criteria dB(A) LAeq (15 min)

Location	Day/Evening/Night
Mordey, Lambkin, Donellan, Hardy, Noble	38
Watling, Oxford, G. Hall, Proctor, Richards, Burgess	39
Egan, Payne, Moore	36

Notes:

- (a) The noise criteria do not apply to residences within the Zone of Affectation for the Camberwell coal mine (Dulwich and Tisdell), or to properties where the Proponent and the affected landowner have reached a negotiated agreement in regard to noise, and a copy of the agreement has been forwarded to the Director-General and DEC.
- (b) Noise from the project is to be measured at the most affected point or within the residential boundary, or at the most affected point within 30 metres of a dwelling (rural situations) where the dwelling is more than 30 metres from the boundary, to determine compliance with the L<sub>Aeq(15 minute)</sub> noise limits in the above table. Where it can be demonstrated that direct measurement of noise from the project is impractical, the DEC may accept alternative means of determining compliance (see Chapter 11 of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy). The modification factors in Section 4 of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy shall also be applied to the measured noise levels where applicable.
- (c) The noise emission limits identified in the above table apply under meteorological conditions of:
  - wind speeds of up to 3 m/s at 10 metres above ground level; or
  - temperature inversion conditions of up to 3°C/100m.

## **Ballast Delivery Hours of Operation**

8. Ballast delivery operations at the Forest Road Ventilation Shaft Area shall be restricted to 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Noise Monitoring Program

9. The Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) a Noise Monitoring Program for the project, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The program must include a noise monitoring protocol for evaluating compliance with the noise impact assessment criteria in this approval, and be submitted to the Director-General by the end of March 2007.

Note: The noise monitoring program may be integrated with any similar program for the Camberwell coal mine.

## **AIR QUALITY**

#### Impact Assessment Criteria

10. The Proponent shall ensure that the dust emissions generated by the project do not cause additional exceedances of the air quality impact assessment criteria listed in Tables 2, 3, and 4 at any residence on, or on more than 25 percent of, any privately owned land.

Table 2: Long term impact assessment criteria for particulate matter

Pollutant	Averaging period	Criterion
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Total suspended particulate (TSP) matter	Annual	90 μg/m³
Particulate matter < 10 µm (PM <sub>10</sub> )	Annual	30 μg/m <sup>3</sup>

Table 3: Short term impact assessment criterion for particulate matter

Pollutant	Averaging period	Criterion
Particulate matter < 10 $\mu$ m (PM <sub>10</sub> )	24 hour	50 μg/m <sup>3</sup>

Table 4: Long term impact assessment criteria for deposited dust

Pollutant	Averaging period	Maximum increase in deposited dust level	Maximum total deposited dust level
Deposited dust	Annual	2 g/m <sup>2</sup> /month	4 g/m <sup>2</sup> /month

Note: Deposited dust is assessed as insoluble solids as defined by Standards Australia, 1991, AS 3580.10.1-1991: Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Ambient Air - Determination of Particulates - Deposited Matter -Gravimetric Method.

#### Air Quality Monitoring Program

11. The Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) an Air Quality Monitoring Program, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The program must include an air quality monitoring protocol for evaluating compliance with the air quality impact assessment criteria in this approval, and be submitted to the Director-General by the end of March 2007.

Note: The air quality monitoring program may be integrated with any similar program for the Camberwell coal mine.

#### **METEOROLOGICAL MONITORING**

12. By the end of March 2007, the Proponent shall establish and subsequently maintain a suitable meteorological station operating in the vicinity of the project in accordance with the requirements in *Approved Methods for Sampling of Air Pollutants in New South Wales*, and to the satisfaction of the DEC and the Director-General.

Note: The meteorological station may be integrated with a similar station established for the Camberwell coal mine.

## **VISUAL IMPACT**

#### Visual Amenity

13. The Proponent shall minimise the visual impacts of the project to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

#### **Lighting Emissions**

- 14. The Proponent shall:
  - (a) take all practicable measures to mitigate off-site lighting impacts from the project; and
  - (b) ensure that all external lighting associated with the project complies with Australian Standard AS4282 (INT) 1995 Control of Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting,
  - to the satisfaction of Council, the DPI and the Director-General.

## ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE

#### Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan

15. The Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The Plan shall be prepared in

consultation with DEC and the Aboriginal communities, and be submitted to the Director-General by the end of March 2007. The Plan must include:

- (a) measures to protect and preserve identified Aboriginal sites on the mine site;
- (b) a monitoring program for identified Aboriginal sites; and
- (c) a protocol for the ongoing consultation and involvement of the Aboriginal communities in the conservation and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage on the site.

#### **TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT**

#### Coal Transport

16. From no later than 31 December 2011, the Proponent shall cease truck haulage of coal from the mine to the Camberwell CHPP, with all ongoing transport via overland conveyor.

By 31 December 2009, the Proponent must submit a report to the Director-General detailing the status of investigations and plans for constructing the overland conveyor. An updated report must be submitted to the Director-General by the end of each subsequent quarter, until construction of the conveyor is completed.

Truck haulage (along the RL 100 haul road) may continue to be undertaken in emergency circumstances or during maintenance of the overland conveyor. In these situations, the Proponent shall advise the Director-General and Council in writing of the need to haul coal by truck.

#### Local Road Maintenance Contributions

17. The Proponent shall pay reasonable contributions to Council for the ongoing maintenance of Forest Road, Middle Falbrook Road, Stony Creek Road and Bridgman Road, to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

#### **GREENHOUSE GAS**

- 18. The Proponent shall:
  - (a) monitor or calculate the greenhouse gas emissions generated by the project;
  - (b) investigate ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions on site; and
  - (c) report on these investigations in the AEMR,

to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

#### WASTE MINIMISATION

19. The Proponent shall minimise the amount of waste generated by the project to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

#### HAZARDS MANAGEMENT

#### Spontaneous Combustion

20. The Proponent shall take the necessary measures to prevent, as far as is practical, spontaneous combustion on the site.

#### **Dangerous Goods**

21. The Proponent shall ensure that the storage, handling, and transport of dangerous goods is done in accordance with the relevant *Australian Standards*, particularly *AS1940* and *AS1596*, and the *Dangerous Goods Code*.

## **BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT**

- 22. The Proponent shall:
  - (a) ensure that the project is suitably equipped to respond to any fires on-site; and
  - (b) assist the Rural Fire Service and emergency services as much as possible if there is a fire onsite during the project.

## MINE CLOSURE STRATEGY

- 23. At least 3 years prior to the cessation of mining, the Proponent shall prepare a Mine Closure Strategy for the development, in consultation with Council, DPI and DEC, and to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The plan must:
  - (a) define the objectives and criteria for mine closure;
  - (b) investigate options for the future use of the site, including the pit top and surface facilities area;

- (c) investigate ways to minimise the adverse socio-economic effects associated with mine closure, including reduction in local employment levels;
- (d) define a strategy for the ongoing management of water inflow to the mine;
- (e) describe the measures that would be implemented to minimise or manage the ongoing environmental effects of the development; and
- (f) describe how the performance of these measures would be monitored over time.

## **REHABILITATION MANAGEMENT PLAN**

- 24. The Proponent shall prepare and implement a Rehabilitation Management Plan for the development to the satisfaction of the DPI and Director-General. This plan must include:
  - (a) the objectives for rehabilitation of the site;
  - (b) a description of the short, medium, and long term measures that would be implemented to rehabilitate the site and manage the remnant vegetation and habitat on the site;
  - (c) detailed performance and completion criteria for the rehabilitation of the site;
  - (d) a detailed description of how the performance of the rehabilitation of the site would be monitored over time to achieve the stated objectives;
  - (e) a detailed description of what measures and procedures would be implemented over the next 3 years to rehabilitate the site;
  - (f) a description of the potential risks to successful rehabilitation and/or revegetation, and a description of the contingency measures that would be implemented to mitigate these risks; and
  - (g) details of who is responsible for monitoring, reviewing, and implementing the plan.

## SCHEDULE 4 ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES FOR AIR QUALITY AND NOISE MANAGEMENT

## NOTIFICATION OF LANDOWNERS

1. If the results of monitoring required in schedule 3 identify that impacts generated by the project are greater than the relevant impact assessment criteria in schedule 3, then the Proponent shall notify the Director-General and the affected landowners and/or existing or future tenants (including tenants of mine owned properties) accordingly, and provide quarterly monitoring results to each of these parties until the results show that the development is complying with the criteria in schedule 3.

## INDEPENDENT REVIEW

2. If a landowner (excluding mine owned properties) considers the project to be exceeding the impact assessment criteria in schedule 3, then he/she may ask the Proponent in writing for an independent review of the impacts of the project on his/her land.

If the Director-General is satisfied that an independent review is warranted, the Proponent shall within 3 months of the Director-General advising that an independent review is warranted:

- (a) consult with the landowner to determine his/her concerns;
- (b) commission a suitably qualified, experienced and independent person, whose appointment has been approved by the Director-General, to conduct monitoring on the land, to determine whether the project is complying with the relevant criteria in schedule 3, and identify the source(s) and scale of any impact on the land, and the project's contribution to this impact;
- (c) give the Director-General and landowner a copy of the independent review.
- 3. If the independent review determines that the project is complying with the relevant criteria in schedule 3, then the Proponent may discontinue the independent review with the approval of the Director-General.
- 4. If the independent review determines that the project is not complying with the criteria in schedule 3, and that the project is primarily responsible for this non-compliance, then the Proponent shall:
  - (a) take all practicable measures, in consultation with the landowner, to ensure that the project complies with the relevant criteria; and
  - (b) conduct further monitoring to determine whether these measures ensure compliance; or
  - (c) secure a written agreement with the landowner to allow exceedances of the relevant criteria in schedule 3,

to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

If the additional monitoring referred to above subsequently determines that the project is complying with the relevant criteria in schedule 3, then the Proponent may discontinue the independent review with the approval of the Director-General.

If the Proponent is unable to finalise an agreement with the landowner, then the Proponent or landowner may refer the matter to the Director-General for resolution.

If the matter cannot be resolved within 21 days, the Director-General shall refer the matter to an Independent Dispute Resolution Process (see Appendix 3).

- 5. If the independent review determines that the relevant criteria in schedule 3 are being exceeded, but that the project and another project/mine are responsible for this exceedance, then the Proponent shall, together with the relevant project/mine:
  - (a) take all practicable measures, in consultation with the landowner, to ensure that the relevant criteria are complied with; and
  - (b) conduct further monitoring to determine whether these measures ensure compliance; or
  - (c) secure a written agreement with the landowner to allow exceedances of the relevant criteria in schedule 3,

to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

If the Proponent is unable to finalise an agreement with the landowner and/or other project/s, then the Proponent or landowner may refer the matter to the Director-General for resolution.

If the matter cannot be resolved within 21 days, the Director-General shall refer the matter to an Independent Dispute Resolution Process (see Appendix 3).

6. If the landowner disputes the results of the independent review, either the Proponent or the landowner may refer the matter to the Director-General for resolution.

If the matter cannot be resolved within 21 days, the Director-General shall refer the matter to an Independent Dispute Resolution Process.

#### SCHEDULE 5 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, MONITORING, AUDITING AND REPORTING

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

- By the end of June 2007, the Proponent shall prepare and implement an Environmental Management 1. Strategy for the project to the satisfaction of the Director-General. This strategy must:
  - provide the strategic context for environmental management of the project: (a)
  - identify the statutory requirements that apply to the project: (b)
  - describe in general how the environmental performance of the project would be monitored and (c) managed during the project:
  - describe the procedures that would be implemented to: (d)
    - keep the local community and relevant agencies informed about the operation and • environmental performance of the project;
    - receive, handle, respond to, and record complaints; •
    - resolve any disputes that may arise during the course of the project:
    - respond to any non-compliance;
    - manage cumulative impacts: and •
    - respond to emergencies; and •
  - describe the role, responsibility, authority, and accountability of all the key personnel involved (e) in environmental management of the project.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM**

2. The Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) an Environmental Monitoring Program for the project, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. This program must consolidate the various monitoring requirements in schedule 3 of this approval into a single document, and be submitted to the Director-General within 2 months of the date of approval of the monitoring programs required under schedule 3 of this approval.

## **INCIDENT REPORTING**

- Within 7 days of detecting an exceedance of the limits/performance criteria in this approval or an 3. incident causing (or threatening to cause) material harm to the environment; the Proponent shall report the exceedance/incident to the Department (and any relevant agency). The report must:
  - describe the date, time, and nature of the exceedance/incident; (a)
  - identify the cause (or likely cause ) of the exceedance/incident; (b)
  - describe what action has been taken to date: and (c)
  - (d) describe the proposed measures to address the exceedance/incident.

## ANNUAL REPORTING

- 4 The Proponent shall prepare and submit an AEMR to the Director-General and the relevant agencies. This report must:
  - identify the standards and performance measures that apply to the project; (a)
  - describe the works carried out in the last 12 months; (b)
  - describe the works that will be carried out in the next 12 months; (c)
  - (d) include a summary of the complaints received during the past year, and compare this to the complaints received in previous years;
  - include a summary of the monitoring results for the project during the past year; (e) (f)
    - include an analysis of these monitoring results against the relevant:
      - impact assessment criteria/limits; •
      - monitoring results from previous years; and
      - predictions in the EA/EIS; •
  - identify any trends in the monitoring results over the life of the project; (g)
  - identify any non-compliance during the previous year; and (h)
  - (i) describe what actions were, or are being, taken to ensure compliance.

## INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT

- Every 5 years (and consistent with the mine's existing audit schedule), unless the Director-General 5 directs otherwise, the Proponent shall commission and pay the full cost of an Independent Environmental Audit of the project. This audit must:
  - be conducted by suitably qualified, experienced, and independent expert/s whose appointment (a) has been endorsed by the Director-General;
  - (b) assess the various aspects of the environmental performance of the project, and its effects on the surrounding environment;

- (c) assess whether the project is complying with the relevant standards, performance measures, and statutory requirements;
- (d) review the adequacy of any strategy/plan/program required under this approval; and, if necessary,
- (e) recommend measures or actions to improve the environmental performance of the project, and/or any strategy/plan/program required under this approval.
- 6. Within 3 months of completing this audit, or as otherwise agreed by the Director-General, the Proponent shall submit a copy of the audit report to the Director-General, with a response to any recommendations contained in the audit report.
- 7. Following each Independent Environmental Audit, the Proponent shall review and if necessary revise each of the environmental management and monitoring strategies/plans/programs in schedules 3 and 5, to the satisfaction of the Director-General. The revised strategies/plans/programs shall be submitted to the Director-General within 6 months of completing the audit.

## COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

- 8. The Proponent shall maintain a Community Consultative Committee to oversee the environmental performance of the project. The CCC shall:
  - (a) be comprised of:
    - 2 representatives from the Proponent, including the person responsible for environmental management at the mine;
    - at least 1 representative from Council (if available); and
    - at least 2 representatives from the local community,

whose appointment has been approved by the Director-General in consultation with the Council;

- (b) be chaired by an independent chairperson, whose appointment has been approved by the Director-General;
- (c) meet at least twice a year;
- (d) review the Proponent's performance with respect to environmental management and community relations;
- (e) undertake regular inspections of the mine operations;
- (f) review community concerns or complaints about the mine operations, and the Proponent's complaints handling procedures; and
- (g) provide advice to:
  - the Proponent on improved environmental management and community relations, including the provision of information to the community and the identification of community initiatives to which the Proponent could contribute;
  - the Department regarding the conditions of this approval; and
  - the general community on the performance of the mine with respect to environmental management and community relations; and
- (h) be operated generally in accordance with any guidelines the Department may publish in regard to the operation of CCCs for mining projects.

Notes:

- The CCC is an advisory committee. The Department and other relevant agencies are responsible for ensuring that the Proponent complies with this approval.
- The CCC may combine its function with the CCC for the Camberwell coal mine.
- 9. The Proponent shall, at its own expense:
  - (a) ensure that 2 of its representatives attend CCC meetings;
  - (b) provide the CCC with regular information on the environmental performance and management of the project;
  - (c) provide meeting facilities for the CCC;
  - (d) arrange site inspections for the CCC, if necessary;
  - (e) take minutes of the CCC meetings;
  - (f) make these minutes available to the public;
  - (g) respond to any advice or recommendations the CCC may have in relation to the environmental management or community relations; and
  - (h) forward a copy of the minutes of each CCC meeting, including a response to any recommendations from the CCC, to the Director-General within a month of the CCC meeting.

## ACCESS TO INFORMATION

9. Within 3 months of the approval of any plan/strategy/program required under this approval (or any subsequent revision of these plans/strategies/programs), the completion of the Independent Environmental Audits required under this approval, or the completion of the AEMR, the Proponent shall:

- (a) provide a copy of the relevant document/s to the Council, relevant agencies and the CCC; and
   (b) put a copy of the relevant document/s on the Proponent's website;
   to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

- 10.
- During the life of the project, the Proponent shall: (a) make a summary of monitoring results required under this approval publicly available on its website; and
  - (b) update these results on a regular basis (at least every 6 months), to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

## APPENDIX 1 SCHEDULE OF LAND

## PIT TOP AREA

Lot 1 DP 1083482, Lot 710 DP 642852, Lot 4 DP 606344, Lot 93 DP 752442, Lot 2 DP 1083482, Lot 1 DP 783398, Lot 792 DP 586255, Lot 791 DP 580967, Lot 1 DP 772332.

## FOREST ROAD VENTILATION SHAFT AREA

Part Lot 1 DP 940619.

## GAS DRAINAGE BOREHOLE AREA

Lot 1 DP 781057, Lot 1 DP 770733, Lot 2 DP 780607, Lots 10, 11, 12 & 13 DP 6830, Lot 1 DP 940619 and various Crown Roads

## APPENDIX 2 PROJECT LAYOUT PLANS





APPENDIX 3 INDEPENDENT DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

# Independent Dispute Resolution Process (Indicative only)

